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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A, s.2, that the Department of Public Health will hold public hearings on amendments to 105 CMR 130.000, *Hospital Licensure*, governing hospital maternal and newborn services.

The proposed amendments update and clarify the current regulations and standardize the definitions and service requirements for the various levels of hospital maternal and newborn care. The amendments incorporate the principles of national recommendations of care modified to the Massachusetts health care system and recognize advances in clinical practice that support quality of care.

The hearings will be held as follows:

July 28, 2005, 10:00 AM, at Holyoke Community College, Frost Building, Room 309, John Hickey Conference Room, 303 Homestead Avenue, Holyoke, MA.

July 29, 2005, 10:00 AM at Massasoit Community College, Louison Board Room, Student Center, One Massasoit Boulevard, Brockton, MA.

August 3, 2005, 10:00 AM, Tewksbury Hospital, Events Room, Saunders Building, 365 East Street, Tewksbury, MA.

September 1, 2005, 10:00 AM, at The WIC Learning Center, 63 Fountain Street, 3rd floor, Framingham, MA.

Speakers are requested to provide a copy of their oral testimony and to identify the specific section of the regulations to which comments are addressed. . The Department strongly encourages all interested parties to submit testimony electronically to the following address:

Reg.Testimony@state.ma.us. Parties who are unable to submit electronic testimony should mail submissions to Anne DeMatteis, 5th Floor, Department of Public Health, 250 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108. All written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 PM on September 9, 2005.

Copies of the regulations may be obtained from Anne DeMatteis at 617-624-5417.

Paul J. Cote, Jr.
Commissioner

Date